

ACCESSION\_        NOTES

H1        Photos H1-H10 are of the Parade honoring Gerstmeyer Tech's 1953 Runner-up Team in the State Basketball Tournament. The parade occurred the afternoon of Monday, March 23, 1953. It is documented in the Sunday, March 22nd newspaper (Tribune Star). Here the Gerstmeyer Tech float, with cheerleaders aboard, is at 13th and Wabash. F.W.Hoff and Sons, grocers is in background.

H17       A pony is pulling a small covered wagon.

H2        Convertibles are being organized on Ohio Street, southside of the Courthouse, Bill Bolk's car is a '52 Chevrolet, Arley Andrews' is a '52 Buick. There is a light-colored '51 Lincoln in left foreground.

H3        "Same as H2, except 3 additional cars are visible in background from left to right. '52 De Soto, '54 Oldsmobile ""Jon Rhodenbaugh"", and '53 Cadillac."

H4        "'53 Cadillac convertible :""Harold Andrews,""" '51 Pontiac convertible :""Frank Kelley."" Mayor Tucker, in white hat, is standing behind a '52 Buick Roadmaster convertible."

H5        Same as H4.

H6        Mayor Tucker is driving a '52 Roadmaster convertible. In the left background is Central Auto Parts, which used to be the Stewart House Hotel. In the right background is Cut Rate China and Glass Co. that partially occupied the Indois Hotel at 2nd and Wabash.

H7        The Tucker-driven Roadmaster convertible at 13th and Wabash.

H8        "Dark-colored '53 Ford Crestline V-8 convertible. The chrome on the windowsill says ""Sunliner."" The occupants of the car are unidentified. The car is at 13th and Wabash."

H9        Same as H8.

H10       Light-colored '53 Ford convertible carrying Eddie Beasley. An unidentified Basketball player is riding in a '48 Buick in the right foreground.

H11       "This photo and the next 15 photos all seem to portrait the same parade. H15 shows the right headlamps (dual) of a 1958 Ford. Other cars appear to be older. The time of the photos is Summer, and I thought this might be a ""Frontier Day Parade"" that was held on July 4th. Page 1 of the Friday, July 4th Tribune mentions the Frontier Day. It was sponsored by the Wabash Valley Horsemen's Association. ""More than 300 riders in Western garb rode well-trained horses in the Wabash Avenue procession..."" It was the 13th annual Frontier Day celebration.- Behind the color guard and in the left background is the Downey Chicken Hatchery, formerly Pence's Hall, and the Lighthouse Mission. The building at right was the garage for city buses at one time."

H12       Slightly different angle.

H13       Crude wagon carrying a dog and 3 people.

H14       Prominent Wabash Western Riders banner.

H16       A dark horse is pulling a surrey. '58 Ford is visible in background.

H15       A Pinto is pulling an enclosed buggy. '58 Ford is visible.

H18       Surrey at a different angle. City Hall in background.

H19       Surrey in front of Silverstein Furniture Store.

H20       Horseback rider on dark horse. Rider is in Indian costume.

H21       Different angle.

H22       Probably the same rider as in H20.

H23       "Indian ""Brave"" on Pinto horse at 6th and Wabash."

H24       Young woman and girl on horseback in front of Silversteins.

H25       Same surrey as H18-19.

H26 The same horse and buggy as H15. However, in H26 they are at 6th and Wabash. '53 Chevy is in background.

H27 "Some of the Parade Pictures appear to be older and their dates can be proven to be in the 1930's. Included in this group are some photos that could not be positively ""traced"" back to the 1930's, though they do appear to be of that era. - Here, veterans appear to be ""firing a salute."" In the background is the Sparks Milling Co. that was at the east end of the Wabash river bridge, at the southwest corner of Wabash and Water Streets. The last City Directory entry for it is 1936. In 1937-38, it is called the Wabash (flour mill) Company. In later years, it was Graham Grain Company."

H28 Slightly different angle.

H29 Though only a guess, the building in the background behind the color guard may be the Raymond Kintz Limber Co. at the northwest corner of Wabash and Water Streets. The car in the background is from the 1930's.

H30 "This ""float"" with children portaying a pioneer family is parked at 3rd and Wabash beside Smith's Hardware. Overhead, are the electric wires for the streetcars. These were surely taken down by 1940 or before."

H31 This would appear to be the same float at a different angle.

H32 "The float is called ""The Old Brick School"" 1830-1836. In the background is the Civil War Monument on the Courthouse Square. Overhead are some streetcar wires."

H33 "On the hood of this car it says ""Alden's Garage"" and on the side it reads ""418 Cherry Street."" The 1936 City Directory lists George E. Alden's Hudson-Essex Garage Service at that address. Behind the old car is a truck identified as #50. The left front fender says ""Western Motor Lines,"" which in 1936 was at 520 Cherry Street."

H34 Same as H33.

H35 Same as H33.

H36 Same as H33.

H37 Same as H33.

H38 "This is the first of ten pictures that picture the same couple in an extremely ""open"" roadster two-seater that probably dates back to 1910 or thereabouts. In the background is Weathers Restaurant which only existed in the early 1940's. In 1940 it was owned by Jefferson and Lillian Weathers at 29 N 3rd Street."

H39 Same as H38.

H40 Same as H38.

H41 Same as H38.

H42 Same as H38.

H43 In this photo the lady has her arms raised above and behind her head.

H44 Same as H43.

H45 Same as H43.

H46 Same as H43.

H47 Same as H43.

H48 "The people in this nice, long, open carriage are different from the ones in H49-51, so perhaps this photo was not taken the same day. The horses and carriage are the same, the carriage bearing the date ""1870.""

H49 "Again, the carriage marked ""1870"" appears in an unidentified setting. The young man in the front seat is holding a sign that bears the number ""42."" This is probably entry ""42"" and may have been ahead of H33 (in the same parade)."

H50 Same as H49.

H51 Same as H49.

H52 "This float depicts the steamer ""Wabash Queen,1879."" The buildings in the background are unidentified."

H53 "This float shows a canoe holding two girls in ""Indian"" costume. It was sponsored by the Girl Reserve of the YMCA."

H54 This young boy has a long rifle and is wearing the garb of a frontiersman. The picture may be from the early 1940's, or it could be newer. The buildings in the background, however, were probably razed a long time ago.

H55 This corps of drummers are lads in their late teens. In the background is an Armstrong-Walker Lumber truck. This picture may date from the late 1930's as streetcar tracks are visible in the foreground. Or, it might date from the 1940's as the lumber truck looks rather modern, possibly even a 1950's model.

H56 " I am calling this and the next three pictures ""the Shrine Temple Parade"" because the parade was apparently organized in front of the Shrine Temple, 420 N 7th Street and because Shriners seem to be the only active participants. This Model T roadster may have been the leading car in the parade. It bears the familiar ""Brook's Cars since 1921"" in the windshield and is the same car as J278-293. In the background the Shriners are lined up and there is a dark '48 Buick convertible and a lighter '50 Buick 2-door hardtop."

H57 The old Indiana State Lab. School is plainly visible behind the old Ford roadster.

H58 In this photo several Shriners were close enough to the cameraman that they would be recognizable to relatives.

H59a "This old roadster bears a sign that reads: ""Greene Co. Shrine Club.""

H59b "This old roadster bears a sign that reads: ""Greene Co. Shrine Club.""

H60 "These pictures are probably older than some of the others in this collection. The cars in H62 and H64 are definitely 1930's models. I am guessing these photos to date back to 1940. This Conestoga wagon is loaded on a more ""modern"" flatbed wagon that is hauling it. The canvas cover proclaims ""For the Ohio Country."" The wagon side says ""Carbon? Ill"", but doesn't seem to read ""Carbondale.""

H61 Same as H60.

H62 Here the Conestoga is being pulled alongside a street by a pair of oxen. Two boys, about 12 years old, are following the wagon. The car in the background would seem to be about a 1938.

H63 Here the Conestoga may be headed eastward in the 300 block of Wabash Avenue. The partially obscure sign may be that of Peoples Pawn Shop at 322 Wabash avenue.

H64 "Here a small, lightweight Conestoga is parked alongside a brick pavement. In the background is a 1930's sedan and an unidentified building that is a gas station with initials ""MPC"" mounted on the brick chimney."

H65 Same as H64.

H66 Same as H64.

H67 "Different angle. 1940's style ""streetlights"" are visible."

H68 Same as H67.

H69 Same as H67.

H70 "These 11 pictures may have been taken at the July 4th, 1949, Frontier Day Parade. I am basing my judgment on the fact that: 1. many of the cars that are visible are from the 1930's and none seem to be as late as 1950, and 2. the license plate T 38548 in H77 is characteristic of th numerous other 1949 license plate such

as in J516-J588, which were '49 Indiana plates. The July 3rd and 4th, 1949, Terre Haute Tribune mentions the ""Frontier Day Parade"" but not to say enough about it to tell for sure that these photos are from that parade. A light-colored horse is pulling an open buggy northwest on S 3rd Street past the D.M.Cleaners at 213 S 3rd and Hay Market Tavern at 201 S 3rd (in 1952 City Directory)."

H71 A pony is pulling a very light-weight buggy at 3rd and Walnut.

H72 Small covered wagon pulled by 2 horses.

H73 Different angle.

H74 W.R.Utterback Tin Shop is in background of photo that shows, apparently, the organization spot of the parade there at 111-115 S 3rd Street. The dome on the Memorial Hall is visible.

H75 Different angle.

H76 The facade of Memorial Hall is partially hidden by trees. The Court House is clearly identifiable. A 1948 Chrysler Town and Country (wooden pieces) convertible is in the background.

H77 Memorial Hall and the Court House are again visible in the background, as well as Utterback's Tin Shop. The focus, however, is a pony pulling 2 little boys in a little buggy and the plate T 38548.

H78 Different angle.

H79 Two men are being pulled in a buggy that has light-colored wheels.

H80 Covered wagon is moving along Wabash Avenue near the Fountain Theater at 422 Wabash and Harry's Variety Store at 424 Wabash.

H81 These pictures were probably taken about 1953. Picture taken at the southeast corner of 2nd (Harding) and Ohio Streets. 1912 Ford touring car is in focus. Background shows Downey's Hatchery and Lighthouse Mission.

H82 Same as H81.

H83 Farm Bureau Co-op at 118-120 Harding Avenue visible in left background; the former home of Dr. Allen Pence in right background.

H84 Same as H83.

H85 Two girls are standing on the runningboard of the 1912 Ford. The light-colored car in front of City Hall is a 1953 Plymouth.

H86 Same as H85.

H87 Five people including a small child are riding in the touring car. There is also a tiny buggy pulled by a donkey.

H88 Different angle.

H89 "Photos taken ca. 1952. A dog is chained to the backseat of a peculiar-looking carriage that has curved floors. Location is indicated by the number ""301"" i.e. 301 Harding Avenue. The street lined with livestock trucks is Poplar Street. In the left foreground is a 1944 Hudson."

H90 Different angle. Photo probably taken about 1952 as that is when Baker's Livestock Auction Co. and Stockman's Cafe appear in City Directory.

H91 Same carriage as in H89-90. Looking northwestward toward the Hand s Tavern owned by Herschel and Sallie Davis at 233 Harding Avenue. The American flag is on display, and this may have been a July 4th (1952) Frontier Day Parade.

H92 "This large wagon is ""parked"" at 201-13 Ohio St. by Bell Bakeries ""Super Soft Bread"" advertising sign. The harness on the horse was made by John Zackman, 1104 Wabash Avenue."

H93 Pinto horse with small buggy, man, and dog.

H94 This photo was taken only a few feet west of H93. The Downey Hatchery is in right background.

H95 These pictures were not taken on the same day, however, all show fire engines and some have the same number stamped on back. Harold Kadel's 1913 Ford roadster is apparently going to lead the procession of fire trucks. Here it is parked in the middle of brick-paved Ohio Street immediately south of City Hall.

H96 "1906 Oldsmobile firetruck. The light-colored two-tone coupe in background is a 1953 Mercury, and it was probably a new car then. In front of it is a 1930's ""flat-back"" sedan and above the '53 Mercury is a late 1930's 4-door sedan with huge ""pontoon"" front fenders."

H97 Different angle.

H98 "1906 Oldsmobile firetruck the ""first piece of mechanized fire equipment in Indiana"". Indois Hotel in left background."

H99 "A teenage boy is inspecting the ""Voiture 21"" firetruck."

H100 Different angle. The shiny '52 Chevy in right foreground may have been new at the time of the photo.

H101 Same boy as in H99. Firetruck is behind calliope.

H102 "This and the next three photos are older: 1940's or late 1930's. These photos must have been taken outside Fire Engine Co. Number 4, 21-23 N 3rd Street. However, Star Furniture Co. had a Wabash Ave. address. This been their ""used furniture"" room, may have had a N 3rd St. address though the City Directories of the period do not prove it."

H103 Same as H102.

H104 Different angle. J501 is partly visible in photo.

H105 Same as H104.

H106 The car in the background is a 1957 Dodge so this parade could not have occurred before '57, though it could have occurred a few years after that date. Two dark horses are pulling a crude wagon with four rustics.

H107 The same wagon as H106. Here it is in front of City Hall.

H108 This interesting wagon has numerous passengers. Bazley Meat Market is in background.

H109 A small carriage is carrying a young lady and a girl.

H110 "This little buggy is marked ""289"" and RFD (Rural Free Delivery?)."

H111a "Bauermeister's ""Victory Dray"" is pictured on front of City Hall."

H111b Slightly different angle.

H112 "This picture and the next were obviously taken moments apart. The occasion may very well have been a ""Frontier Day"" Parade. The focus of the picture is a small wagon marked : ""W.C., Stepp, Rocky Mountain Express, Marshall, ILL."" The car in the left foreground is probably a '52 Chevy. Dumes Salvage is in background at 101-113 Poplar Street. The ""baby"" pony in the photo is darling."

H113 Different angle.

H114 "The hood ornament in the left foreground indicated that this is a '49 DeSoto. The ornament shows the head and helmet of Hernando De Soto. In the background is a '51 Henry J. - Focus is a light-weight carriage marked ""63."" This was entry #63 in a parade that may have occurred about 1952 or so. The gas station in the background once stood at the southwest corner of Harding and Wabash Avenue."

H115 Old, enclosed buggy is parked beside what must have been the Baker's (operated by Richard Stephens and Reuben Milner) Livestock Auction Co. at 301 S Harding Avenue.

H116 Same as H115.

H117 Here the buggy is hitched up and appears ready to be driven away.

H118 Same as H117.

H119 "An old ""Cook's"" beertruck owned by Chas.W.Bauermeister is parked beside the International Harvester Store at 225 N 9th Street."

H120 "An old Studebaker buggy is on display in showroom window. Key to the photo is the reflection of the banner in the window glass: Studebaker 100 years of Progress."" See J146 and 147."

H121 "Here an old wagon is parked near an old-fashioned gas station. This is the Lincoln filling station, southwest corner, 18th and Washington Avenue. See p. 45 of T.J.Schlereth's ""U.S.40: Evolution of the Gas Station.""

H122 "An Indianapolis streetcar ""Massachusetts and College Avenues"" #69. It would have served the northeast part of Indianapolis."

H123 In this photo the same streetcar is in an unidentified setting.

H124 "Here the same Indianapolis Streetcar #69 is in Terre Haute on the northside of the Courthouse Square close to the intersection of 3rd and Wabash. In the background is the old Indois Hotel at 2nd and Wabsh. Perhaps Terre Haute bought or rented Indy's old streetcars after Indy ""electrified"" their cars. This picture would have been taken by 1939 or before as Terre Haute's streetcar tracks were taken up by then."

H125 Same as H124.

H126 "Photo from different angle. Note the sign: ""This old mulecar in use from ??""

H127 Same as H126.

H128 "Here an old-time hearse is parked in front of the Indiana Theater in June,1953 to advertise the movie, ""Scared Stiff."" See article on p.16 of the June 20, 1953 Saturday Evening Spectator. The hearse belonged to the De Bauns in 1953."

H129 "Different angle. ""'53 Mercury in right foreground gave a clue as to when the photo was taken, along with sign on hearse: ""June 17th.""

H130 Different angle. Better view of '53 Mercury.

H131 Different angle.

H132 Different angle.

H133 The brick building in the background is obviously the old car barn of the Indiana Interurban railroad at 2770 Wabash Avenue. It was vacant in 1949, which is about the time the photo was taken. To the left of the big open door of the car barn is an all-steel (non-wood) station wagon, probably a 1949 Plymouth. These all-steel station wagons sold by the thousands. Above the tree tops is a faint haze-enshrouded antenna, probably Public Service Indiana's. The theme of this photo is difficult to imagine. Why are there so many policemen? Is this a strike? Why is the '46 -'48 Chevy being stopped? Is the policeman pointing a gun at the car? What does the printing on the caps say? It all remains an enigma until some newspaper article of the time sheds light.

H134 Slightly different angle.

H135 The '46-'48 Chevy is not in the picture, which is otherwise the same.

H136 Photo taken from the same angle but moments later.

H137 Baptism of a black lady in the Wabash. Date ?? Probably 1920's or early 1930's because two excursion boats are clearly visible in th background. They may be the Reliance and the Reliable. It's also possible that they might be the Winter-Welcome, or was it the Winner-Welcome??? Yes, the latter. Read p. 30 of the oral history interview with B.G.Cox.

H138 "Another black lady is about to be baptized, immediately south of the Wabash Avenue bridge, a short distance off the west bank of the Wabash River. Boat in background may be the Reliance and Reliable. Compare this picture with the picture

of the Reliance and Reliable on p. 107 of "'On The Banks Of The Wabash.'" Note the four white pipes projecting through the roof of the non-motorized "'Reliable.'"

H139 Here the congregants are assembling on the riverbank prior to baptism.

H140 On the riverbank.

H141 Different angle.

H142 11th (1951) Summer Camp (Tent) Meeting. This Tent Meeting of the Vigo County Holiness Association was held in July, 1951, at the northeast corner of 6th and Hulman Streets, across the street from Fairbanks School which was torn down in 1988.

H143 "The sign says that Rev. J.W.Adcock is the evangelist, while Gilbert and Rachel Baker were the "'Singers.'" '41 Plymouth in foreground."

H145 Fairbanks School in background.

H146 A Pilgrim Holiness church bus is parked in front of tent. Note the old car, perhaps a Model T, parked beside the tree.

H144 The congregants are seated underneath the tent.

H147 13th Annual (1953) Vigo County Holiness Assoc. Tent Mtg. See enclosed article Terre Haute Tribune July 10, 1953, page 2. The sign proudly proclaims the workers: Rev. B.K.Beaty and the Salvadores.

H148 This is the south side of the tent, parallel to Hulman Street. The light-colored Chevy 4-door sedan in right foreground is a new '53 model.

H149 Here a '47 or '48 Plymouth 4-door sedan is parked on Hulman Street in front of the tent.

H150 Small boy stands on sidewalk near sign.

H151 Congregants in tent are standing up. Late 40's Studebaker in right foreground.

H152 Henry J. is barely visible in left foreground.

H153 "An extremely weathered sign in the frontyard announces "'Old Time Revival Services.'" Another sign on the ground says : "'Church Tonight.'" The apartment building at the extreme left appears to be the one that used to stand at 728 N 5th Street. It had a bad fire about 1987 and was torn down. The two-story house that is the focus of the photo would then be 730 N 5th. Old benches are placed in the sideyard so that the congregants can listen to the sermon."

H154 This is the same grouping as in H112 and H113 featuring a small wagon owned by W.C.Stepp, Marshall, Illinois. The tiny Pinto pony is darling.

H155 This is the same couple as in H114. However, they are in a different location.

H156 Same couple as in H155 and H114. Here, again they are in a different location. This time they are at 8th and Cherry Streets. The Rose Dispensary is in the left background. In the right center background is the building that once stood at the northwest corner of 8th and Cherry.

H157 "Here a horse is pulling a wagon that carries a sign urging : "'Join your friends at the White Barn Summer Theater.'" Photo is damaged along the upper edge. City Hall is in background."

H158 Different angle. Light House Mission in background.